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PATENT

Applicant: Whayne et al.

Serial No.: 09/507,613

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Title: Catheter Distal Assembly

With Pull Wires

Group Art Unit: 3763

Examiner: Rodriguez

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 31, 2002, time for response to which has been extended by the enclosed petition to October 31, 2002, applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the primary examiner finally rejecting claims 10-13 and 15-37.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b), a check in the sum of \$320.00 to cover the appeal fee is enclosed.

Please charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0638. Should such additional fees be associated with an extension of

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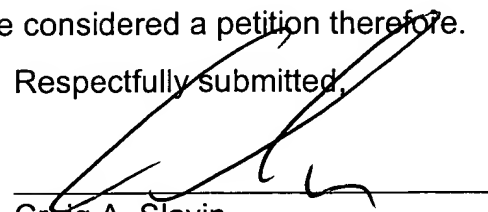
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time, applicant respectfully requests that this paper be considered a petition therefore.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date



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